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Ms. Carol Hanlon
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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

Subject:

VIRGIL C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION

SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC & GAS COMPANY

POSSIBLE SITE RECOMMENDATION FOR YUCCA MOUNTAIN

Reference:

1. Federal Register Notices:

66 Fed. Reg. 23013 - May 7, 2001, 66 Fed. Reg. 43851 - August 21, 2001, 66 Fed. Reg. 45845 - August 30, 2001, and 66 Fed. Reg. 51027 - October 5, 2001

- 2. Mr. Lake H. Barrett, DOE, to Mr. Bill Timmerman, SCE&G, letter dated August 27, 2001
- 3. Mr. Steven P. Kraft, NEI, to The Honorable Spencer Abraham, DOE, letter dated September 25, 2001

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (SCE&G) has the following comments on the Yucca Mountain site recommendation. We believe that there has been a vast amount of scientific study resulting in the knowledge that Yucca Mountain will be a safe repository. Therefore, SCE&G believes the Department of Energy Secretary should recommend the Yucca Mountain site to the President. Our utility also endorses the Nuclear Energy Institute comments submitted on September 25, 2001.

Yours very truly.

Stephen A. Byrne

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